Remittance Advice Message

For February 2008

Physician Rule Change - Modifier Code

Dear South Dakota Medical Assistance Provider: "Important Message - Please Read"

IMPORTANT PHYSICIAN RULE UPDATES:

Effective February 1, 2008, physician modifier codes "23-unusual anesthesia" and "59-distinct procedure" will be reimbursed at 100% of the allowable fee of the billed CPT code they are attached to.

*REMINDER: Effective September 12, 2007, Bilateral Services must be billed on one line with the "50" modifier pursuant to the physician rule updates sent via Remittance Advice on October 17 and 24, 2007. Bilateral services are reimbursed at 150% of the allowable fee of the billed CPT code.

If you have questions, please call the Telephone Service Unit at 1-800-452-7691. Out of state providers may call 605-773-3495 and ask for the service unit.

Thank you, Division of Medical Services